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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS PROBLEM ON OKINAWA

REF: NAHA 314

1. EMBASSY FULLY SHARES NAHA'S CONCERN (REFTEL) OVER
DIMENSIONS OF NARCOTICS PROBLEM ON OKINAWA AND ITS
POTENTIAL FOR USE BY ANTI-US ELEMENTS TO CREATE PROBLEMS
AND AROUSE SENTIMENT AGAINST US DEFENSE AND OTHER POLICY
INTERESTS IN OKINAWA AND ELSEWHERE IN JAPAN. CLEARLY
OUR MOST SERIOUS NARCOTICS PROBLEMS WITHIN JAPAN ARE IN OKINAWA.

2. EMBASSY THEREFORE FULLY SUPPORTS PROPOSED RETENTION
OF DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION REPRESENTATIVE ON
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OKINAWA UNTIL PROBLEM IS DEEMED UNDER CONTROL. DEA

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3. REGARDING NAHA REFTEL'S SECOND POINT, EMBASSY -- ALONG WITH COMUSJAPAN AND SERVICE COMMANDS IN JAPAN-- ALSO FULLY CONCURS THAT SERIOUSNESS OF PROBLEM DEMANDS OUR BESTEFFORT IN ORGANIZING AND APPLYING ALL AVAILABLE USG RESOURCES TO GAIN OPTIMUM EFFECTIVENESS IN INVESTIGATIVE AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES AMONG AMERICAN PERSONNEL IN OKINAWA AND CLOSEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE INTERFACE WITH INTENSIVE GOJ EFFORT AGAINST PROBLEM. EMBASSY HAS ASKED COMUSJAPAN FOR COMMENTS ON PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT IN OKINAWA OF FORMAL INTER-SERVICE ENFORCEMENT GROUP AS POSSIBLE METHOD OF BETTER INTEGRATING ACTIVITIES OF VARIOUS U.S. AGENCIES INVOLVED. COMUSJAPAN COMMENTS EXPECTED IN NEAR FUTURE, AFTER WHICH EMBASSY WILL WISH TO PROVIDE FURTHER COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION TO DEPARTMENT REGARDING THIS PROPOSAL.
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